

## **Board of Education**

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## **Board Report**

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## RESOLUTION RE: CAROLINA CARCHI, HONORARY STUDENT BOARD MEMBER, CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION JUNE 27, 2024 TO MAY 29, 2025

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi was appointed to serve as the Honorary Student Board Member of the Chicago Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi, a representative of student leadership, began her term as the Honorary Student Board Member of the Chicago Board of Education on June 27, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi conscientiously and effectively served the Board as a representative of the Chicago Public Schools student body, ensuring that their best interests were served and advocating for and amplifying the voices of over 320,000 students; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi, as an Honorary Student Board Member, attended and observed monthly public Board Meetings and, when necessary, communicated Board actions that had a direct impact on the overall educational process to those she served, and collaborated with Board members to address key school changes and decisions, and engaged with CEO Pedro Martinez to discuss educational matters and policies; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi was instrumental in elevating student voices through her advocacy and leadership, including facilitating roundtable discussions to gather input and foster dialogue on critical issues; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi represented the City of Chicago as a Student Panelist in the National Town Hall for The Council of the Great City Schools in Dallas, Texas, engaging in political and educational discussions ahead of the presidential elections, networking with student leaders nationwide, and contributing to a student panel moderated by NBC Chief Political Analyst, Chuck Todd, addressing an audience of corporate leaders and CEOs; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi delivered the keynote address at the Youth Leader Activation Summit in Chicago, inspiring the youth of Chicago and addressing key topics including education, passion, advocacy, resilience, and leadership, and collaborated with Chicago Mayor Brandon Johnson to discuss the implications of selective enrollment and its impact on neighborhood high schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi collaborated with Dr. Janice Jackson on a conference about education with Non-profit organizations like The Leadership Greater Chicago and Hope Chicago, and briefed with CEOs from various banks and corporations on how their philanthropic actions can be geared towards the funding of education, and was coached on how others can be compassionate and assertive leaders in education and in other higher positions, as a Student Representative and Panelist for The Leadership Greater Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi engaged in medical research across various body systems as part of the Rush Medical College Pipeline Program, contributing to a deeper understanding of healthcare and diagnostic methodologies, and developed her communication skills through interactions with patients and polished diagnostic abilities, emphasizing compassion and ethical consciousness in both patient care and anatomy lab practices; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi gained valuable experience through the UI Health CHAMPIONS Summer Internship, networking with healthcare professionals, receiving hands-on training in suturing techniques, and being mentored by second- and third-year medical students; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi has been featured on Univision and other media outlets, showcasing her dedication and the impact of her work; and

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WHEREAS, Carolina Carchi is a recent graduate of the Girls Who Code Program with UIC; and

WHEREAS, Carolina Carchi will be attending Northwestern University in Evanston, IL, in the fall; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Carchi's tenure as Honorary Student Board Member reflects one of dedication and commitment, and she can take great pride in the fact that she served the Chicago Board of Education with honor, distinction, and innovation, which has helped to further define the role of Honorary Student Board Member.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:** that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago gathered here this 29th day of May 2025, do commend Carolina Carchi for her diligent service as Honorary Student Board Member and also extend to her our best wishes for the success of her future endeavors and the realization of all her goals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be made available to Carolina Carchi.

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